

In The Claims

Claims 1-40 (canceled)

41. (currently amended) A computer program product embodied on a computer-readable storage medium for providing transactional billing services for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, the computer program product comprising:

code for generating at least one log record indicative of at least one of said users submitting at least one electronic document for trusted third party services;

code for generating at least one log record indicative of forwarding said at least one electronic document to at least a second of said plurality of users;

code for parsing said log records to generate billing information indicative of said submitting and forwarding; and,

code for providing said billing information to at least one processing application which processes said billing information and generates a plurality of bills dependently thereupon;

said code further comprising code for capturing information indicative of a billing label from said at least second user, wherein at least some of said captured information is included in at least one of said log records;

The computer program product of Claim 40, wherein said billing label is associated with at least said forwarding.

Claims 42-43 (canceled)

44. (currently amended) A computer program product embodied on a computer-readable storage medium for providing transactional billing services for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, the computer program product comprising:

code for generating at least one log record indicative of at least one of said users submitting at least one electronic document for trusted third party services;

code for generating at least one log record indicative of forwarding said at least one electronic document to at least a second of said plurality of users;

code for parsing said log records to generate billing information indicative of said submitting and forwarding; and,

code for providing said billing information to at least one processing application which processes said billing information and generates a plurality of bills dependently thereupon;

~~The computer program product of Claim 35,~~ wherein said parsing is performed automatically and periodically.

45. (currently amended) A computer program product embodied on a computer-readable storage medium for providing transactional billing services for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, the computer program product comprising:

code for generating at least one log record indicative of at least one of said users submitting at least one electronic document for trusted third party services;

code for generating at least one log record indicative of forwarding said at least one electronic document to at least a second of said plurality of users;

code for parsing said log records to generate billing information indicative of said submitting and forwarding; and,

code for providing said billing information to at least one processing application which processes said billing information and generates a plurality of bills dependently thereupon;

~~The computer program product of Claim 35,~~ said code further comprising code for generating at least one log record indicative of notifying at least said second of said plurality of users of said submitting.

46. (original) The computer program product of Claim 45, wherein said notifying comprises generating at least one e-mail message.

47. (original) The computer program product of Claim 46, wherein said e-mail message includes at least one electronic address associated with said computer network and the trusted third party services.

48. (original) The computer program product of Claim 47, wherein said electronic address is a uniform resource locator.

49. (original) The computer program product of Claim 48, wherein said uniform resource locator is further associated with said at least one submitted document.

50. (currently amended) A computer program product embodied on a computer-readable storage medium for providing transactional billing services for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, the computer program product comprising:

code for generating at least one log record indicative of at least one of said users submitting at least one electronic document for trusted third party services;

code for generating at least one log record indicative of forwarding said at least one electronic document to at least a second of said plurality of users;

code for parsing said log records to generate billing information indicative of said submitting and forwarding; and,

code for providing said billing information to at least one processing application which processes said billing information and generates a plurality of bills dependently thereupon;

~~The computer program product of Claim 35,~~ said code further comprising code for associating a discreet time with each of said log entries.

Claims 51-71 (canceled)

72. (currently amended) A transactional billing services system for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, said system comprising:

at least one database configured for storing log record indicative of at least one of said users submitting at least one electronic document for trusted third party

services, and at least one log record indicative of forwarding said at least one electronic document to at least a second of said plurality of users;

at least one database engine for parsing said log records stored in said at least one database; and,

at least one billing application for generating a plurality of bills responsively to said parsing, wherein each of said bills is indicative of at least one of said log records;

~~The system of Claim 68,~~ wherein said database engine parses said at least one database automatically and periodically.

73. (currently amended) A transactional billing services system for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, said system comprising:

at least one database configured for storing log record indicative of at least one of said users submitting at least one electronic document for trusted third party services, and at least one log record indicative of forwarding said at least one electronic document to at least a second of said plurality of users;

at least one database engine for parsing said log records stored in said at least one database; and,

at least one billing application for generating a plurality of bills responsively to said parsing, wherein each of said bills is indicative of at least one of said log records;

~~The system of Claim 68~~, wherein said database is further configured for storing at least one log record indicative of notifying at least said second of said plurality of users of said submitting.

74. (original) The system of Claim 73, wherein said notifying comprises generating at least one e-mail message.

75. (original) The system of Claim 74, wherein said generated at least one e-mail message includes at least one electronic address associated with said computer network and the trusted third party services.

76. (original) The system of Claim 75, wherein said electronic address comprises a uniform resource locator.

77. (original) The system of Claim 76, wherein said uniform resource locator is associated with said at least one submitted document.

78. (currently amended) A transactional billing services system for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, said system comprising:
at least one database configured for storing log record indicative of at least one of said users submitting at least one electronic document for trusted third party services, and at least one log record indicative of forwarding said at least one electronic document to at least a second of said plurality of users;

at least one database engine for parsing said log records stored in said at least one database; and,

at least one billing application for generating a plurality of bills responsively to said parsing, wherein each of said bills is indicative of at least one of said log records;

~~The system of Claim 68,~~ wherein each said log record is indicative of a discreet time respectively associated therewith.

Claims 79-97 (canceled)

98. (currently amended) A transactional billing services system for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, said system comprising:

means for storing data signifying log records indicative of submitting ones of said users submitting electronic documents for trusted third party services, and log records indicative of said submitted electronic documents being forwarded to receiving ones of said plurality of users;

means for parsing said stored data signifying said log records; and,

means for generating a plurality of bills responsively to said means for parsing, wherein each of said bills is respectively associated with and dependent upon at least one of said log records and at least a corresponding one of said submitting or receiving ones of said users;

~~The system of Claim 91,~~ wherein said means for parsing operates at predetermined intervals.

99. (original) The system of Claim 98, wherein said predetermined intervals correspond to billing periods for said trusted third party services.

100. (currently amended) A transactional billing services system for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, said system comprising:

means for storing data signifying log records indicative of submitting ones of said users submitting electronic documents for trusted third party services, and log records indicative of said submitted electronic documents being forwarded to receiving ones of said plurality of users;

means for parsing said stored data signifying said log records; and,

means for generating a plurality of bills responsively to said means for parsing, wherein each of said bills is respectively associated with and dependent upon at least one of said log records and at least a corresponding one of said submitting or receiving ones of said users;

~~The system of Claim 91,~~ wherein said means for storing further comprises means for storing data signifying log records indicative of notifying said receiving ones of said users of said submitting.

101. (original) The system of Claim 100, wherein said notifying comprises generating at least one e-mail message.

102. (original) The system of Claim 101, wherein said generated at least one e-mail message includes at least one electronic address associated with said computer network and the trusted third party services.

103. (original) The system of Claim 102, wherein said electronic address comprises a uniform resource locator.

104. (original) The system of Claim 103, wherein said uniform resource locator is associated with said at least one submitted document.

105. (currently amended) A transactional billing services system for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, said system comprising:

means for storing data signifying log records indicative of submitting ones of said users submitting electronic documents for trusted third party services, and log records indicative of said submitted electronic documents being forwarded to receiving ones of said plurality of users;

means for parsing said stored data signifying said log records; and,

means for generating a plurality of bills responsively to said means for parsing, wherein each of said bills is respectively associated with and dependent upon at least one of said log records and at least a corresponding one of said submitting or receiving ones of said users;

~~The system of Claim 91,~~ wherein each said log record is indicative of a discreet time respectively associated therewith.

Claims 106-114 (canceled)

115. (currently amended) A transactional billing services system for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, said system comprising:

means for storing data signifying log records indicative of submitting ones of said users submitting electronic documents for trusted third party services, and log records indicative of said submitted electronic documents being forwarded to receiving ones of said plurality of users;

means for parsing said stored data signifying said log records; and,

means for generating a plurality of bills responsively to said means for parsing, wherein each of said bills is respectively associated with and dependent upon at least one of said log records and at least a corresponding one of said submitting or receiving ones of said users;

~~The system of Claim 91,~~ wherein said means for parsing and means for generating are communicable coupled via at least a portion of said computer network.

116. (currently amended) A transactional billing services system for trusted third party services offered to a plurality of users via a computer network, said system comprising:

means for storing data signifying log records indicative of submitting ones of said users submitting electronic documents for trusted third party services, and log records indicative of said submitted electronic documents being forwarded to receiving ones of said plurality of users;

means for parsing said stored data signifying said log records; and,

means for generating a plurality of bills responsively to said means for parsing, wherein each of said bills is respectively associated with and dependent upon at least one of said log records and at least a corresponding one of said submitting or receiving ones of said users;

~~The system of Claim 91,~~ further comprising at least one recordable media accessible by both said means for parsing and means for generating.